

30. Item. To Arnault,<sup>1</sup> the author of *Marius*, one hundred thousand francs.
31. Item. To Colonel Marbot one hundred thousand francs. I recommend him to continue to write in defence of the glory of the French armies, and to confound their calumniators and the apostates.
32. Item. To Baron Bignon<sup>2</sup> one hundred thousand francs. I recommend him to write the history of French diplomacy from 1792 to 1815.
33. Item. To Poggi de Talaro one hundred thousand francs,
34. Item. To Sui'geon Emmery one hundred thousand francs.
35. These sums will be raised from the six millions which I deposited on leaving Paris in 1815, and from the interest at the rate of 5 per cent since July, 1815. The account thereof will be settled with the banker by Counts Montholon, and Bertrand, and Marchand.
36. Whatever that deposit may produce beyond the sum of five millions six hundred thousand francs which have been above disposed of, shall be distributed as a gratuity amongst the wounded at the battle of Waterloo, and amongst the officers and soldiers of the battalion of the Isle of Elba, according to a scale to be determined upon by Montholon, Bertrand, Drouot, Cambronne, and the surgeon Larrey.
37. These legacies, in case of death, shall be paid to the widows and children; and in default of such, shall revert to the bulk of my property.

### III.

1. My private domain being my property, of which I am not aware that any French law has deprived me, an account of it will be required from the Baron de la Bouillerie, the treasurer thereof: it ought to amount to more than two hundred millions of francs: — namely, 1. The portfolio, containing the savings which I made during fourteen years out of my civil list, which savings amounted

<sup>38.</sup> A. Antoine Vincent Arnault) author of several tragedies, at one time an *ami*, accompanied Napoleon to Egypt, and was made member of the Institute. He sat in the Chamber of Representatives during the *Cent Jours*. On the second Restoration he was exiled, and was deprived of his Chair on the purgation of the Institute by Vaublanc, the Minister of the Interior under Richelieu's Ministry. He happily apologized for his bitter epigrams by comparing himself to a flint. "If sparks fly from me, the fault is not mine, but that of the striker." See Merlet's *Tableau de la Literature Francaise*, 1800-1815 (Paris, Didier, 1883), tome i. p. 414. He is described as wishing to praise Napoleon only after his fall. He lived to regain his Chair.

39. Baron Louis Pierre Edouard Bignon, long engaged in the Emperor's diplomatic service, and who was Under-Secretary of State during the *Cent Jours*. He signed the capitulation of Paris in 1815, as in temporary charge of the Foreign Office. He commenced this contemplated history, in which he

would have been assisted by Maret, Due de Bassano (see  
Ernouf's *Life of*  
*Maret*, p. 194), but he died in 1841, leaving it incomplete.